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SUBJ: INTERIM REPLY TO SECURITY SURVEY OF THE AMERICAN EMBASSY
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REFS: (A) LAGOS A-129, JUN 6, 74;(B) ABIDJAN 5733.

1. POST HAS JUST BEEN INFORMED (REF B) THAT ABIDJAN RTO WILL NOT VISIT POST AS PLANNED TO ASSIST WITH TECHNICAL MATTERS RELATED TO LAGOS RSO RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION. VIEW CIRCUMSTANCES, THIS MESSAGE CONSTITUTES INTERIM NOTIFICATION OF ACTIONS TAKEN ON EIGHT (8) RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED REF A.

2A. RECOMMENDATION NO 1: LOCK REQUESTED FROM TSO ABIDJAN (LOME 981) AND LETTER DATED JULY 8; HOWEVER POST QUESTIONS NEED FOR SECOND LOCK ON REAR DOOR AS THREE-WAY COMBINATION LOCK NOW IN PLACE AND ENTRANCES TO EMBASSY COMPOUND GUARDED
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ON 24-HOUR BASIS. MOREOVER, THE ADDITIONAL LOCK WOULD CREATE

TRAFFIC PROBLEMS IN CHANCERY CORRIDORS AS FSLs MOVE BETWEEN
ADMINISTRATION COMPLEX AND CHANCERY.

B. RECOMMENDATION NO 2: FIRE PLAN BEING UPDATED, HOWEVER,
POST WISHES TO RELATE PLAN TO THE SONALERT ALARM SYSTEM TO BE
INSTALLED BY ABIDJAN RTO.

C. RECOMMENDATION NO 3: ACTION TAKEN TO COMPLY WITH INTENT
OF 5 FAM 900.

D. RECOMMENDATION NO 4: ESTIMATES BEING OBTAINED AND ACTION
TO BE TAKEN AS SOON AS FUNDS BECOME AVAILABLE.

E. RECOMMENDATION NO 5: POST EXPLORING ALTERNATIVE SOLUTION
TO IMPROVING RESIDENCE SECURITY. PROPERTY IS SHORT-TERM LEASE
AND IMPLEMENTING RECOMMENDATION WOULD REPRESENT MAJOR CAPITAL
IMPROVEMENT. MEANWHILE, ADDITIONAL GUARD HAS BEEN ASSIGNED
TO RESIDENCE. POST HAS REQUESTED RTO'S ASSISTANCE THIS
RECOMMENDATION.

F. RECOMMENDATION NO 6: COM VEHICLE TOO LONG FOR RESIDENCE
GARAGE. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT INVOLVED ON SHORT-TERM LEASE.
WE SEEKING OTHER SOLUTION WITH ASSISTANCE OF RTO.

G. RECOMMENDATION NO 7: ESTIMATES BEING OBTAINED AND GRILLS
TO BE INSTALLED AS SOON AS FUNDS MADE AVAILABLE TO POST.

H. RECOMMENDATION NO 8: PSO HAS DISCUSSED ALTERNATIVE APPROACH
TO THIS RECOMMENDATION INVOLVING INSTALLATION OF "SELF-CONTAINED
UNIT" AT RESIDENCE.
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